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SUBJECT: SOVIET COMMENTARY ON NEW PACIFIC DOCTRINE

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1. SUMMARY.THE SOVIETS HAVE MADE WHAT APPEARS TO BE AN
AUTHORITATIVE COMMENT ON THE PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT OF A
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NEW PACIFIC DOCTRINE. THE COMMENTARY IS PREDICTABLY

NEGATIVE, MAINLY ON SIGNS OF CHINESE ACCEPTANCE OF THE U.S. SECURITY POSITION IN ASIA AND THE PACIFIC. END SUMMARY.

2. IZVESTIYA (DEC 15) CARRIES A COMMENTARY BY V. OSIPOV, WHICH QUOTES PORTIONS OF THE PRESIDENT'S HONOLULU SPEECH, INCLUDING THE SIX PONTES AND HIS REMARKS ON THE VIEWS OF "ASIAN LEADERS WITH WHOM I HAVE SPOKEN" ON THE NEED FOR CONTINUED AMERICAN STRENGTH IN ASIA. OSIPOV CITES U.S. NEEDED A NEW DOCTRINE AFTER ITS "DEFEAT" IN VIETNAM AND THE FAILURE OF THE GUAM DOCTRINE OF HAVING "ASIANS FIGHT AGAINST ASIANS."

3. OSIPOV THEN MOVES THROUGH A SERIES OF DUBIOUS CAUSAL LINKS TO ALLEGE THAT THE REAL NEWS IN THIS NEW CONCEPT IS THAT PEKING "SUPPORTS THE 'PACIFIC DOCTRINE' OF THE USA IN FULL." HE CITES THE PRESIDENT ON THE COMMON UNDERSTANDING WITH THE CHINESE TO OPPOSE ANY FORM OF HEGEMONISM IN ASIA AND ELSEWHERE AND NOTES U.S. PRESS COMMENTS ON THE "PARALLELISM" OF U.S. AND CHINESE FOREIGN POLICIES. THE EFFECT, SAYS OSIPOV, IS TO STRENGTHEN THE U.S. MILITARY PRESENCE IN ASIA AS A SUPPOSEDLY "STABILIZING FACTOR." IN FACT, HE SAYS, THERE IS NOW MORE INTEREST IN BUILDING A SYSTEM OF COLLECTIVE SECURITY, AND NOT IN BUILDING NEW ALLIANCES UNDER ONE STATE. THE NEW DOCTRINE, HE CONCLUDES, IS AIMED AT ESTABLISHING "THAT VERY HEGEMONY WHICH ALL HAVE OPPOSED IN RECENT TIMES."

4. A PRAVDA COMMENTARY (DEC 16), BY VLADIMIR LARIN, ALSO MENTIONS THE NEW PACIFIC DOCTRINE AS AN EXAMPLE OF THINKING WHICH IS OUT OF TOUCH WITH THE TIMES. THE MAIN TENDENCY TODAY, HE SAYS, IS TOWARD PEACE, SECURITY AND COOPERATION, AND NOT TOWARDS THE CONCEPT OF STRENGTH BY ONE COUNTRY OR ONE GROUP. SUCH ALLIANCES, SAYS LARIN, DO NOT CONTRIBUTE TO STABILITY, BUT THREATEN THE SECURITY OF "THE PEOPLE," WHO SEEK PEACE, FREEDOM AND PROGRESS.

5. COMMENT. THE IZVESTIYA ITEM IS THE MOST DETAILED SOVIET COMMENTARY TO DATE, AND IS ABOUT EQUALLY BALANCED BETWEEN CRITICIZING THE U.S. FOR SEEKING YET ANOTHER VERBAL FORMULA TO JUSTIFY MAINTAINING A LARGE MILITARY LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PRESENCE IN ASIA, AND CHINA FOR ALLEGEDLY GOING ALONG WITH IT. THIS PARALLEL HAS BEEN VOICED IN SOVIET COMMENTARIES SINCE THE FALL OF INDOCHINA, BUT THE NEW DOCTRINE AND THE PRESIDENT'S CHINA TRIP GIVE IT NEW IMPETUS. STILL UNSTATED BUT BARELY SUBMERGED IS THE IMPLICATION THAT THE U.S. AND CHINA WILL ACTUALLY WORK TOGETHER IN A SORT OF QUASI-ALLIANCE AGAINST THE INTERESTS OF "THE PEOPLE" OF ASIA. STOESEL

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